



# **The New East Worthing Primary School**

## **December 2023 NEWSLETTER 2**

### **Communication**

#### **Welcome to our December Newsletter!**

*I would like to thank all the parent/carers who have so far engaged with the new school by completing the first uniform questionnaire and with the new school name suggestions. There will be further opportunities for you to contribute to the shaping of the new school in the new year. Please see below.*

### **Staff**

The staff have begun to work together and are genuinely excited about being part of one new primary school. We had our first joint staff meeting this week and have more planned for the Spring Term. This will also include a joint Inset day in February 2024.

### **Year 3 intake 2024**

The last school tour will take place on the 8<sup>th</sup> January at 5pm. You will be able to tour the school and meet the SLT who will be on hand to answer any questions. Our amazing children will guide you around the school and talk about all the wonderful aspects of the KS2 curriculum. If you would like to attend please follow this link/copy and paste into your browser to sign up:

<https://forms.gle/lqnEYDQ6VzA5tLYv5>

### **School Name**

The next part of the process of choosing a name for the new Primary school is by asking the community to indicate their preference of a name from the top suggestions. The pupils in both schools will also be given the chance to cast their vote in school. We will hopefully be able to choose a name that recognises the two school communities coming together equally in a new all through Primary school. Hopefully the new name will represent the pride both school communities feel about their Key Stages (Infant and Junior school).

### **Have your say - parental engagement workshops/forums**

There will be a series of parental workshops – please see the choice of dates below. Parent/carers from Lyndhurst, Springfield and Chesswood are invited to any session on either school site. At each session (all sessions are the same) you will be invited to contribute to a variety of topics and themes. Your comments and suggestions at these events will really help us in shaping our new community school. I can guarantee that your views and opinions raised at these forums will be listened to, and considered. It is through these work groups/forums that we can all positively work together to ensure that the new school is a place of high aspirations, where individuals are nurtured and developed, and the community has a sense of pride in creating a primary school in the heart of East Worthing.

## **Building work**

Following continued engagement with the Education Team at West Sussex County Council (WSCC) it is clear that the delivery timescale for the capital works that the school will require e.g. an extension to provide the new SSC accommodation and any potential temporary classrooms (subject to numbers) will require planning permission. As such, the Capital Delivery Team at WSCC have advised that all essential works are not expected to be complete for September 2024. To allow for the delivery of the project to be carried out in a measured way and with the least disruption to the school site, the target date for completion is now Summer 2025. This will require the retention and use of the Lyndhurst Road site for pupils in Reception, Year 1, Year 2 and the Special Support Centre until that time, in order to minimise any disruption to all pupils and give capacity on the Chesswood Road site to facilitate the required works.

## **Dates for your Diary:**

<b>Event</b>	<b>Date and Time</b>	<b>Location</b>
<b>New Primary School Name preference</b>	<i>15<sup>th</sup> December – 12<sup>th</sup> January</i>	<b>On line</b>
<b>September 2024 Intake for Year 3 School Tour</b>	<i>Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 5pm</i>	<b>Chesswood Road site</b>
<b>Parental Engagement forums</b>	<i>Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2024</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 9.00am</li><li>• 3.15pm</li><li>• 5.00pm</li></ul>	<b>Chesswood Road site</b>
<b>Parental Engagement forums</b>	<i>Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2024</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 8.45 am</li><li>• 3 – 4 pm</li></ul>	<b>Lyndhurst Road site</b>

I would like to wish the new primary school community a very peaceful and joyful Christmas period and I look forward to seeing you all in the new year!



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